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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Leland SHAPIRO

Serial No. : Group Art Unit:

Filed: : Examiner:

For: INHIBITORS OF SERINE PROTEASE ACTIVITY, METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS
FOR TREATMENT OF VIRAL INFECTIONS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application
as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

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--This application claims priority to US Provisional Application No. 60/123,167 filed March

5, 1999 and US Provisional Application No. 60/137,795 filed June 3, 1999 both of which are hereby
incorporated by reference.--

AUTHORIZATION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required
for this Amendment, or credit any overpayment to deposit account no. 50-0436.